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AMENDMENT

Dear Examiner Lockett:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2005. Applicant hereby amends, as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend the claims, as follows:

1. (currently amended) A stringed musical instrument comprising:

a hollow body having a soundboard and soundhole;

a neck mounted to said hollow body;

one or more strings stretched over said hollow body and said neck;

said neck having upper string anchoring means and means for an upper contact point with the string;

a bridge body secured on the ~~top of~~ said hollow body soundboard and having thereon a saddle for providing a lower contact point with the string; and